Absent Work for Marine Life Inventory

Back Bay Science Center

Understanding what wetlands are and their importance, ecologically, and also their benefits to humans, is very important for the AP exam. Since you missed this field trip, which will be teaching about this and allowing students to actively participate in the science that monitors the health of a wetland, please do the following assignment:

Please access the following link for the BBSC: <http://backbaysciencecenter.org/faqs/>

1. Summarize the purpose, in your own words, of the BBSC.

2. Why are Ecological Reserves important?

Please access the next link: <https://www.epa.gov/wetlands>

3. What is a wetland, exactly?

4. Differentiate between tidal marshes and non-tidal marshes. Also, which one do you think the Newport Back Bay is?

Access the following: <https://www.epa.gov/wetlands/wetlands-factsheet-series>

Then choose the following 3 fact sheets. Write the headings below and underline them. Then summarize each of the key sub-topics listed in each of these fact sheets. Please underline each sub-topic heading also:

5. Functions and values of Wetlands

6. Economic Benefits of Wetlands

7. Threats to Wetlands